

HOUSE RESOLUTION 384
By Stanley

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Rachel Barrett for
winning the Youth Excellence Award for March.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to excellence, have distinguished themselves in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Barrett is one such exceptional student at St. Agnes Academy who was recently honored by the City of Germantown and the Germantown Education Commission with the Youth Excellence Award for March; and

WHEREAS, through diligence, remarkable character, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Barrett has achieved outstanding success in all endeavors and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, during her remarkable high school career, Rachel Barrett has received numerous honors and awards; she is listed Summa Cum Laude and is a member of the A Honor Roll; and

WHEREAS, she is a highly active member of her school and has participated in the French Honor Society, the French Club, Mu Alpha Theta, the Pep Club, Students Against Drunk Driving, Dominican Preaching Wonders, and the National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, this remarkable young lady has also made countless invaluable contributions to her community; she has volunteered at the Hartland Nursing Home, played with children affected by AIDS at Hope House, kept score and staffed the concession stand for a GYAA baseball team, worked with disabled and mentally-handicapped youth at the Special Olympics and Madonna Learning Center, volunteered in the clothes closet and food pantry for First Works, collected money for the American Heart Association, organized her school's efforts for the 9/11 Relief Fund, sorted race forms and staffed a first aid booth for Race for the Cure, contributed to her school's holiday coat drive, and shopped for a family for the Birthright Christmas Angel list; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, she has taught Sunday School for kindergartners at the Church of the Holy Spirit; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Barrett's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success at the University of Illinois, where she hopes to continue her benevolent activities; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievements are a tremendous source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Barrett's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend and honor Rachel Barrett on being recognized with the Youth Excellence Award for March, salute her compassion and personal excellence, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.